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Many thrills at the Park this weekend

# TWO MORE WINS ARE FORECAST FOR POLONIA AND JUVENTUS

BY MORRIE BUCKNER

*This week's Olympic Park program, in which Juventus meets Croat on Saturday and Polonia tangles with St. Melb. - Hellas on Sunday, promises a lively and attractive weekend of soccer.*

Both Juventus and Croat gave disappointing displays last week and will be anxious to redeem themselves with their supporters in this round.

Juventus managed to get only a point for a scoreless draw with Lions, and Croat gave Hellas six goals — almost as many as it had conceded in seven night and league matches since its promotion.

Both of these teams are capable of a lot better, and they will be out to prove it on Saturday.

Lions' goalie Dieter Voigt was the brilliant hero of last week's game against Juventus, and Croat keeper Ilija Djukic must emulate him if he is to keep the smart Juventus attack from fishing with his net.

Injuries affected Croat, and it was forced to field four reserve players against Hellas.

If the senior side is complete this week, Djukic should get plenty of help from Bruno Slivar, Roman Pomahae, young giant Joe Szauer, and other defenders against whom Juventus speedsters Bro, Acunzo, Barbaza and Fioravanti look like bantamweights.

The Croat forwards found the Hellas defence hard to pass. They will find Frangione, Bulko, Patterson, Griggs and Beurcht just as tough — maybe tougher!

This match can be regarded as an acid test for Croat — the test that will decide whether Croat is really a State League side or not.

## OUCH! VICTORIA WAS SLATHERED!

A team of fully-qualified soccer tradesman came down from Sydney last weekend and showed 14,000 fans, the Victorian eleven, and local officials at Olympic Park on Easter Monday just what is required to win the soccer championship of Australia, writes Morrie Buckner.

Selecting a group of good players is simply not enough. That's just the beginning! To become contenders for the Australian title, they must be trained together and drilled together until they know and understand each other as well as they know and understand their mothers, their wives, or their girl friends.

That's what the NSW team showed us. In addition to first-class soccer techniques — position play, accurate distribution, and superb ball control — they showed us a brand of mutual understanding that is only achieved with many long and regular practice sessions together.

By comparison, the Victorian side's play was disjointed, spasmodic and ineffective. Drawn from seven State League teams, it showed the results of lack of squad practice.

The big crowd of fans may have been disappointed by the showing of the local team, but they certainly got their money's worth from the polished and entertaining display put on by the visitors.

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## POLONIA MAY BE TOO CLASSY FOR HELLAS

Apart from the natural attraction in a match between Polonia and Hellas, Olympic Park fans will be anxious to see Polonia's new international-class right wing-half Edmund Zientara and ex-Sydney pivot Stan Sklarek in action.

Now that Polonia has settled down to the serious business of winter league soccer in good style, it is hard to see Hellas the winners of Sunday's fixture.

In spite of last Saturday's 6-0 success against Croat, Hellas has not proved itself to be a high-scoring combination against top-class opposition, and it will be facing a defence against which no team has scored a goal in the four rounds already played.

Moreland is credited with a goal against Polonia, but

it was scored for Moreland by Polonia full-back Remo Guardiani — and Remo's face has been red ever since.

Sklarek, Gasiot, and Guardiani make a formidable last line of defence in any language — Polish, Italian, or Greek — and with help from the new star Zientara and the mercurial and inexhaustible Dudon, Hellas will find goals about as easy to get as television sets at a meeting of the Exclusive Brethren.

So there's only one way to find out who will win this one — be at The Park on Sunday!

UP GO THE HEADS at Olympic Park on Saturday.

Players (from left to right) are Radek (J.U.S.T. centre half), Haynes (Hakoah centre forward), partly hidden, and Miecz (J.U.S.T. right half).

It was a fast, exciting game in which defences dominated.

No goals were scored until the 86th minute, when Ladehof raced past Manning, the Hakoah goalkeeper, to give J.U.S.T. the two points which kept them among the leaders in the State League.

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# THE TRUTH ? NOT ON YOUR LIFE!

BY MORRIE BUCKNER

In its zeal to help and defend Aussie Rules football, the weekly newspaper **TRUTH** has again stooped to devious and slanderous attacks against soccer.

For the past six weeks, everyone in Melbourne has been treated to a noisy hullabaloo that rose to a shrieking crescendo of publicity about one particular form of sport — Australian Rules football.

It was dished out to us non-stop by the newspapers, the radio, and the television channels.

The players, their girlfriends, their work, their families, their training, the belly-aches, their transfers, their injuries, their arguments — every fragment of so-called "news" was dragged out and buried into print or projected over the airways in a gigantic storm of ballyhoo.

This annual campaign is designed to whip up public fever for one of the biggest business in Victoria and, as ever, it has been tremendously successful.

### LOT OF HOOY

Naturally, these outpourings include a lot of harmless hooey. And when **TRUTH** joined the chorus a few days ago with four pages of free publicity for the opening of the Aussie Rules season, it was merely being a competitive conformist — and you can't take issue with that!

But when one of its writers produces a slanderous attack on soccer, an attack written in terms capable of holding soccer and its supporters up to public hatred and contempt, and supports his attack with statements that add up to a lot of utter rubbish, then it's time to take exception.

Under the heading "V.F.L. declares war on soccer," this fellow says: "I command the V.F.L. At

last it is trying to halt the spread of soccer in Victoria." Good heavens! The man talks about "the spread of soccer" as though it was an epidemic of smallpox instead of ordinary people indulging in their favorite sport.

In his blasts against soccer, he says that "it has taken over V.F.A. grounds, and is making a bold bid to take over Fitzroy's headquarters."

### CROCODILE TEARS

Now there's a blatant mixture of crocodile tears and false statements for the **TRUTH**, like the rest of the Press and the Victorian Football League, doesn't give a tuppenny hoo about the Victorian Football Association. The Press treats the V.F.A. as badly as it treats soccer, and the V.F.L. have helped actively toward the destruction of the V.F.A.

Soccer is the only branch of sport, and the only agency in Victoria, that has offered to help V.F.A. clubs financially by sharing their grounds. But even though many V.F.A. clubs play to near-empty stands and can't pay their tiny annual rentals, they're consistently refused offers of help from soccer.

The only football ground ever occupied by soccer is at Elsternwick Park. And that was obtained only after Brighton, the V.F.A. Rules club, was allowed by its Aussie Rules "friends" to become practically extinct. As for trying to "take

over" Fitzroy's ground, **TRUTH** knows as well as we do that soccer could not fit Fitzroy's ground unless it was first vacated by Fitzroy and the ground was standing idle. To suggest that soccer is trying to get Fitzroy dispossessed is utterly stupid.

It is a revealing fact, too, that neither **TRUTH** nor the rest of the Press raised any kind of objection to Fitzroy's bald and blatant attempt to get V.F.A. club Preston thrown out of its ground.

The **TRUTH** writer says that "skilled campaign by Victorian soccer officials has lifted the game to a point where it can draw crowds of 30,000."

For his information, that is dead wrong. Soccer draws its 30,000 without a skilled campaign. As a matter of fact, there has never been ANY sort of campaign, much less a "skilled" campaign. That is simply because, in the face of Press animosity, publicity would need lots of money, and soccer has never had that kind of money.

### "THE MENACE"

Then he says that at last the V.F.L. has "acknowledged the menace" of soccer. Menace, he calls us!

If he means by the word menace that soccer is keeping people away from the Rules football turnstiles, then bowls is a menace, and racing, and golf, and fishing,

and gardening, and washing your car on Saturday afternoons is a menace, because these sports and activities keep hundreds of thousands of Victorians away from the footy turnstiles every Saturday.

But does this writer attack them and call them "menace"? No, he only attacks soccer!

### NONSENSE

Then he finishes his diatribe with this choice piece of nonsense: "It's good," he says, "to see the various football bodies combining against a foreign code..."

Well, in the first place, millions of Real, fair-minded Australians in New South Wales and Queensland don't feel that way about soccer.

In the second place, every sport played in Australia today is, if you apply the test that it originated overseas, a "foreign" sport!

Cricket, golf, rugby, hockey, tennis, bowls, racing, lacrosse, squash, table tennis, basketball, bowling, hop-scotch or yo-yo's — you name it and let **TRUTH** trace it to its source.

Then maybe even **TRUTH** will agree that its witch-hunt against soccer, and its description of soccer as "foreign" and a "menace", can only be classified as malicious and malignant discrimination against a single sport, and a vile and deliberate insult to everybody connected with it.

# PERSONALITY PARADE

By "ONLOOKER"

No. 5

WHEN former South Melbourne-Hellas and Victorian winger Chris Georgeous signed George Papadopoulos in Greece in 1960 Hellas gained a good player.

George Papadopoulos was born in Drama, Eastern Macedonia, in 1936, and grew up in Salonica.

The best game of that tour was against Cologne. Although Hercules were beaten 5-3 the game was played at a high standard.

It was only the fact that the Greek team could not get used to the different conditions that caused them to lose.

### IMPRESSIVE

With such an impressive list of games to his credit, a great deal was expected of George when he arrived in Australia on March 24, 1960.

Since he arrived he has given them all they have asked for in soccer skill and he has definitely strengthened the team.

Eight months after his arrival he was helped to open a store in Lonsdale Street, where he manages the champions of many countries.

George brought his fiancée here four months ago, and married her soon afterwards. Both are settling down well in their new country.

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# THE WORLD OF SOCCER

Russia's experiment with the "sin-bin" has been unsuccessful and will not be repeated next season. The ice-hockey idea was introduced in Second Division matches last term, allowing referees to send a player off the field for a period after a foul.

But there were too many differing ideas as to the length of time a man should be suspended for the different offences. One referee would limit a player's punishment for tripping to five minutes, and another would sentence him to ten minutes in the "bin."

So, from now on the unfortunate Russkies who misbehave in the Second Division will come up before the FA for censure, as do their brothers in Division 1. Team boss of Switzerland's World Cup team is Karl Rappen the former Austrian player.

Rappen is tough and strict and has decreed that his team squad will not be permitted to smoke or drink until they lose interest in the tournament.

STAR inside-forward Istvan Szanti, of the Belgian side Standard Liege, is likely to be transferred to Italy's Juventus — for £30,000 fee. Szanti is a Hungarian.

WHEN Johnny Haynes of Fulham plays for England his insurance cover

goes to £75,000. England have a £50,000 policy on the player in addition to Fulham's normal £25,000 cover.

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ARGENTINE inside-forward, Francisco Lojacono, who plays for Italian club, Roma, would have been up for sale recently... if he hadn't been in gaol. He had just completed a five-week suspension for a "field offence" when he was sent to gaol for four months for "assaulting his wife."

By his behavior, this inside-forward will miss out on a trip to Chile as a member of Italy's World Cup squad.

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REAL MADRID (Spain) and Beneficio (Portugal) will contest the 1962 European Cup Final at Feyenoord Stadium, Rotterdam, on May 2. The line-ups are expected to be: Real Madrid: Araquistan, Casado, Miera, Sanchez, Santamaría, Pachín, Tejada, Del Sol, Di Stefano, Puskás and Gento. Beneficio: Periera, Joano, Angelio, Cavem, Germano, Cruz, Augusto, Eusebio, Aguas, Coloma and Simeões.

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FULL-BACK Duister Ewe and his team, Rapid J.C. of Holland, recently got caught out! The player sustained a head injury at work... and as he was on "Workers' Comp." he took the field in a game under an assumed name... and with his head swathed in bandages. Unfortunately for the player and his club, the match was televised at the last minute and the official who handles the "Workers' Comp." claims recognised the player. Result! The club, as well as having to pay the player's soccer wages, had also to meet his normal working "pay packet". His "Workers' Comp." claim was rejected. Rapid is Leo Beeren-donk's former club, and he took certain to be relegated.

A goal cannot be scored by direct throw from a "throw-in", only person who can score with a throw is the goalkeeper as long as he is within his own penalty area when he throws the ball.

# Home wins tipped

By

DUNCAN McDougall

While last week's fixtures were more or less regarded as "away wins" — at least I forecast so — in spite of the experts' opinions, this week should see a full cart wheel and I plump for all home wins in the matches outside Olympic Park.

The only game that could make a difference to the League ladder will be at Olympic Park, where it is doubtful if Polonia will emerge victors against a vastly improved SM-Hellas.

With this in mind, next Saturday's league ladder could easily be headed by George Cross, if only by a narrow goal average.

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HAKOAH v. MELBOURNE

Last week, although Hakoah made another of their periodical slips, to which we have all become accustomed, they are still a force to be reckoned with, particularly on their own stamping ground at Middle Park.

Hakoah's defeat last weekend will make them more than eager to snatch both points from this game, if they intend staying within striking distance of the leaders.

Melbourne once again have commenced the season in their old familiar pattern, being neither a good team nor a bad one.

As one who sees them in action only occasionally, their weaknesses are hard to pinpoint. But, in the main, it looks as if their ailment is something that has spread throughout practically all top teams during the past three years — the lack of a real master-mind with the killer instinct in the front rank.

Man for man, there is very little between the Melbourne and Hakoah defences, except perhaps Hakoah's full backs, just ahead in recovery work.

Villers of Hakoah will find this trait very much in evidence with the never-say-die Besci as pivot for Melbourne. Aby supported by Garrett in a roving half line, the Hakoah forwards may take some time to break down what is always stubborn resistance in the opening stages by Melbourne.

However, the inability of the Melbourne forwards to hold the ball sufficiently long enough to

# ZOOM LENS . . . ON THE STATE LEAGUE

build up effective attacks will inevitably throw too much weight on their vastly overworked defence; with the obvious result.

No team scores easily against the Hungarians in the first half, and possibly Hakoah, with their annoying sixpenny ball manœuvres, will be scoreless at half time. However, after captain Hartley has barged through to demonstrate how a shot should be walloped at goal, his forwards will take the hint and hit the net in the correct fashion — the inside.

A win — at all costs — to Hakoah.

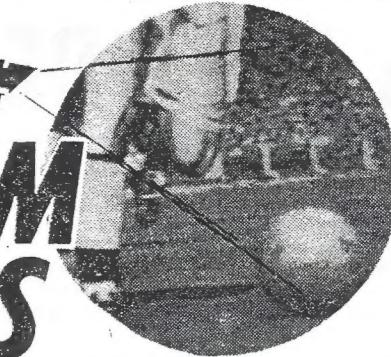
GEORGE CROSS v. J.U.S.T.

On the wide open spaces of the Showgrounds, George Cross, on their home ground, could be mixed up in the best game of the day, with an improving J.U.S.T. as contenders for both points.

George Cross will be hard hit through the loss of young Horst Zielienski, as the inside forward was the only George Cross front ranker capable of taking that short-range snap goal when the opportunity came his way. The advent of Gibbs from Scotland could fill this sadly lacking feature of the George Cross forward line.

However, Gibbs may find goal scoring openings few and far between if J.U.S.T. decide to play a fellow Scot, Morrison, at centre half against him. Morrison has shown first team form with the reserves, and if recovered from a bout of 'flu, will no doubt be included to relieve a half-back for forward-line duty, where J.U.S.T.'s weaknesses are most apparent.

The defences of both teams are particularly good, with Jankovic having his best season ever. The result won't rest, though, on the outcome of a defensive battle, but rather with the team



MELBOURNE 0. POLONIA 3.  
(R. Gronowski 2, Reutter).

At McDonald Reserve, Hawthorn, a crowd of more than 1500 saw a top form Polonia, superbly spearheaded by Jurecki, outclass Melbourne in the second half.

The game opened with duels between Sklarek of Polonia and Fekete of Melbourne, with honors being even. Melbourne came close to scoring with several good efforts by Zubiani and Fekete, but one Polonia settled down there was no doubt as to the outcome.

MELBOURNE 0. MORELAND 4.  
SLAVIA v. MORELAND

Slavia has been a luckless team so far this season, sharing the points with two of the better sides and losing by the only goal scored in their other two fixtures.

They have by far the best defence of the lower teams to date, but the probable loss of centre half Berry would leave a large gap in an otherwise tightly knit rearguard.

Their forwards are suspect, however, but against Moreland this may not be so noticeable, as the Moreland defence is weak,

having conceded close to an average of four goals per game.

Whatever the strength of the Moreland reserves, now is the time to baptise any promising youngsters, in the hope that they "click" sufficiently well to pull the team clear of the relegation threat before the gap widens to impossible dimensions.

WILHELMINA v. LIONS

For their second guests on the new Ringwood ground, Wilhelmina face up to Lions, the team that confounded the experts last week to take a point from Juventus.

No doubt a greatly encouraged Lions, with its ranks reinforced from former Richmond players, will be flat out to prove last week's performance was no fluke.

I would warn them, however, that the successful tactics adopted against Juventus will not succeed against the Dutchmen.

Lions obviously discovered the secret — well known to my old club, Brighton, at least 10 years ago — of how to beat the Italians. Ten years ago it was the same as it is today.

Stop one man and you halt the whole team. In my day it was a case of snuffing out Bill Copeland. Today it's Barbazza.

The over-confidence of Wilhelmina that I mentioned last week was still in evidence against Slavia. This attitude will need to cease forthwith, as this new-look Lions includes former Richmond players, who last year were a team who tried to, and could, play neat football, but were never allowed to do so.

Wilhelmina to win.

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# J.U.S.T STAYS WITH THE LEADERS

By MORRIE BUCKNER

Call it what you like — a lucky break or the only serious mistake made by the Hakoah defence — but J.U.S.T. took both points for its 1-0 win over Hakoah last Saturday and is right up there with the leaders.

This match lost lot of lustre because of the predominance of the defences on both sides, but it had its exciting moments.

For instance, after two minutes, Haynes square-passed to Hartley, whose shot from 35 yards travelled so fast that Jankovic couldn't follow its flight. It hit the lower front edge of the bar — and rebounded into play.

Then at eight minutes, after Haynes had been fouled by Rodek, Thomas took the free kick and centred for a lively scrum-image from which Haynes tried a snap header — but Jankovic wasn't caught napping.

And at 25 minutes, McQuillan's free kick was centred by Haynes

for Thomas to try a blank shot from point-blank range that made Jankovic almost jump out of his shorts — but he made it for a very clever save at full stretch.

In the meantime, that hard worker and stylish player Emie Marinovic was busy setting up chances for his fellow forwards, but they frustrated them away after another.

The worst of these lost chances occurred at 60 minutes when Marinovic square-passed a ball across the goal-mouth, and centre-forward Njegus and inside-left Ladehof stood there flat-footed and watched it float by.

With both forward lines impotent, the break didn't come until the 86th minute.

Hakoah was in attack and its rear defenders

had moved downfield with only one J.U.S.T. forward, Ladehof, in their vicinity.

Suddenly Marinovic came away with the ball, and in seconds, after two sharp, lengthy ground passes — Marinovic to Sabsadini to Ladehof — goal-keeper Manning found himself in trouble and alone.

Ladehof feinted him off balance and passed him easily for the only goal of the match.

Best for J.U.S.T. were Jankovic, Buha, Grego, Rodek, Mieic and Marinovic, and for Hakoah, Hartley, Adams, Alexander and Woodward — in spite of their late lapse which cost them the match.

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MORELAND 0. GEORGE CROSS 4.

A sprightly and entertaining display by both teams was marred by tragedy in the 67th minute when Horst Zielienski fell heavily after a race for the ball with Moreland's keeper Azzopardi.

The visitors took command when new centre-forward Gibb opened the scoring by beating Azzopardi with a well placed shot. Combed play by Hodgson and Cubero gave Zielienski a good opening from 12 yards which the German boy accepted and added a second goal.

Moreland were playing attractively in the outfield, where Brouwer and Larmer did well. Their most urgent need is a couple of scoring forwards.

Until he was carried off, Zielienski was the best player on the field. He worked like a trojan, used the open space well and was always dangerous in front of goal.

Lolly Vella put in a power of work on the left wing, while new boy Gibb acquitted himself well. He showed craft and intelligence and once he's fully turned up he'll worry any defence. The veteran Vince Muscat was their star in defence.

## DRIBBLING in Poetry

It really doesn't matter Whether Hellas wins its games. The team may have its bad days — But there's music in its names.

There's one called Papadopoulos; Another called Tsalakis;

A fullback is Xanthopoulos; Another, Mantarakis.

Margarites is a wing-half; Kaligeros you'll see, too;

And one that's very hard to say Is "Hadje-EFF-three-yo".

But there is just one that's foreign, And neither kin nor kith.

It belongs to flying inside-left — An Aussie! — Teddy Smith!

— MORRIE BUCKNER

made no mistake with the penalty award.

Then came the Zielienski tragedy, and when the game resumed, Lolly Vella notched a fourth goal from a good cross by Hodgson.

Summing up: Moreland, although decisively defeated, were a much improved team in which Azzopardi, Matthews, Brouwer and Larmer did well. Their most urgent need is a couple of scoring forwards.

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## Players in the news

FORMER star Brighton player Arthur Scott was injured in a freak accident last week. Arthur, trying to save a shot, hit his head on the hard ground and knocked himself out.

UNIVERSITY will be travelling to Brisbane in May for their holidays. Only the holidays will be spent playing soccer against university teams from other States.

Varsity will spend the May 22-27 playing continuous soccer, and when they return they'll be very fit.

DID you know that Croatia lost nine of last year's team to Croatia (State League), but after a big recruiting campaign managed to buy from other clubs between four and five players at a three figure price?

STAR of the Croatian team's victory against Box Hill last week was Peter Basic.

YOUNG inside-right Bill Vojtek, who is only 17, is a potential Victorian player. Playing for Croatia, he has been consistently among the best players each week.

CROATIA held a successful dance last night in the Richmond Town Hall.

FORMER Star Victorian forward and Frank Loughran, in his official position as coach to Coburg, has helped them to the top of the Second North. His team have scored 35 goals in only four matches this season.

MAKING a comeback last week with University Reserves, Harry Maasson, a former first team player, suffered a recurrence of a knee injury which will probably cause his retirement from soccer.

DID you know that Brighton had six players in their team last Saturday who graduated from the juniors?

# CROATIA WILL BE HARD TO TOSS

By ONLOOKER

Consistent form by leading teams in all divisions prove that Croatia (First North), Ringwood (First South), Coburg (Second North) and Ringwood (Second South) will be hard to toss for the premiership and promotion to the higher grade at the end of the season.

In the Second Division North further evidence proved that there is a large gap between the top and the bottom in this division.

Scores of more than 10 goals are not uncommon, and Coburg with 12 goals last week head the goal scoring competition in all grades of soccer.

### FIRST NORTH

Box Hill's defeat by Croatia has lowered them from second to fourth place on the ladder.

Reports of the game indicate that Croatia played excellent soccer and thoroughly deserved to win.

On Saturday they meet Collingwood, and with captain-coach Bobo Basic successfully guiding the team, they should be untroubled to record their fifth successive win.

Alexander's convincing win against Fiorentina and Heidelberg's big defeat of Sicilia proved that there are only four teams in the premiership hunt.

Heidelberg should again win when they meet Corio at Geelong, while Alexander should account for Sunshine City.

At the other end of the ladder Corio, Maccabi and Collingwood each gained a point on drawn games.

However, these teams do not look capable of winning on Saturday.

Maccabi, who are showing signs of improvement, will test Box Hill, and a tactical battle between coaches Bill Westerveld and Len Young is expected.

University should continue their improvement by defeating Sicilia at Royal Park. With Zabrowski and Tausig playing consistently in defence every week, the Sicilian forwards will find it difficult to score.

### FIRST SOUTH

What was expected to have been a very close and even game between Richmond and Sandringham last week turned out to be an overwhelming victory by 6-1 for Richmond.

The leaders of this division — Ferntree Gully — who are the only undefeated team — face a tough battle against vastly improved Sandringham, who scored five goals against inconsistent Geelong last week. Ferntree Gully, the home team, should win.

One of the most disappointing teams this season is Brighton. However, they should move away from the danger zone by defeating Makedonia. If Arthur Scott has not recovered from his head injury Makedonia could scrape home with a point.

### EVEN GAME

Austria and Yallourn meet in an even game. The home team appears to have struck their true form, but Yallourn can never be taken lightly.

Two recently promoted teams, Oakleigh and Trident, meet on Saturday. Although Trident gained their first point for the season last week, I don't think that they'll be good enough to beat Oakleigh.

Bayswater and Sandringham should play an interesting game. Sandringham's impressive form is not as good as it appears, and I think Bayswater will be too strong for them on Saturday.

At the other end of the ladder Corio, Maccabi and Collingwood each gained a point on drawn games.

However, these teams do not look capable of winning on Saturday.

Maccabi, who are showing signs of improvement, will test Box Hill, and a tactical battle between coaches Bill Westerveld and Len Young is expected.

University should continue their improvement by defeating Sicilia at Royal Park. With Zabrowski and Tausig playing consistently in defence every week, the Sicilian forwards will find it difficult to score.

Since joining this league, Libertas have improved out of all proportion and their 12 goals against W.F.F. was meritorious.

Estimated attendance 550.

### RICHMOND v SANDRINGHAM CITY

Richmond beat Sandringham City at Richmond 6-1 in First Division South.

Sandringham were outplayed and were down 2-0 at half time. City failed to take all their opportunities.

City's inside-right Evans was sent off for kicking a player after a heavy tackle and this weakened the team.

Richmond inside-right Ateshath and Sandringham right-back Laughton also were sent off. Laughton was sent off for retaliation.

Goal scorers — Richmond: Rauch 2, Weiland 2, Zerbin and Erdmann. Sandringham: Reid.

Bill Bell, a former Slavia player, made his debut for Sandringham at outside-right.

### CROATIA - BOX HILL

Although Croatia won this game Box Hill did not give up trying at any stage. In the end, fitness enabled Croatia to win.

Croatia's first goal came after six minutes when Peter Basic sent a long pass to Ralph Stasch, who headed the ball past the goalkeeper into the net.

### SECOND GOAL

Second goal came in the 25th minute when Peter Basic scored a fine solo goal after dribbling through the defence.

In a mix-up, P. Basic was stopped by Box Hill's centre-half and the referee awarded a penalty from which Croatia's captain B. Basic scored to give his team victory.

The standard of the game was very high throughout, being fast and vigorous.

Estimated attendance 550.

### TRIDENT v BRIGHTON

This match did not produce good soccer. It was a frustrating game with Brighton doing most of the attacking but being unable to score.

Trident presented Brighton with their first goal after ten seconds play when a pack-pass to the goalkeeper beat him into the net.

After 12 minutes, a good shot by the Trident centre-forward gave Brighton goalie Arthur Scott no chance.

Left-winger Arthur Pritchard, a Brighton junior, scored for his team just before half-time.

### SCOTT HURT

Trident's equalising goal came in an attacking raid in which Arthur Scott hit his head on the hard ground and was knocked out for a few seconds.

### UNIVERSITY v SUNSHINE CITY

All the goals scored came in the first half. Sunshine were first to score when their inside-right goaled in the fifth minute.

University replied when Rod Speight scored in the eighth minute. At the 35th and 40th minutes both Sunshine City and University scored their goals. Hohman, after receiving a pass shot past the goalie to record University's second.

The match saw-sawed in the second-half with both the Students and Sunshine having opportunities to score on many occasions, but poor physical condition prevented them from doing so.

The referee began to lose control after about 70 minutes and in the 80th minute he had to send two players off, one from each side.

## ONLOOKER'S SELECTIONS

### FIRST NORTH

Box Hill v Maccabi (1)  
Collingwood v Croatia (2)  
Fiorentina v Moonee Ponds (1)  
Sicilia v University (2)  
Corio v Heidelberg (2)  
Alexander v Sunshine City (1)

### FIRST SOUTH

Austria v Yallourn (1)  
Brighton v Makedonia (1)  
Oakleigh v Trident (1)  
Geelong v Richmond (2)  
Ferntree Gully v Dandenong (8)  
Bayswater v Sandringham (1)

### SECOND NORTH

Essendon v Seymour (1)  
N.Olympia v Williamstown (X)  
Libertas v St. Albans (1)  
Coburg v L.C.L. (1)  
Bendigo v C'wealth Banks (1)  
W.W.F. v Fairfield (2)

### SECOND SOUTH

Ringwood v Park Rangers (1)  
F.N.D. v South Yarra (2)  
Moorabbin v Frankston (2)  
Triesina v Croydon (X)  
Sunshine Heights v Rosebud (X)  
Prahran v Kensington (1)

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### SECOND DIVISION RESERVES

Ringwood v Park Rangers (1)  
Azzurri v South Yarra (2)  
Moorabbin v Brunswick (1)  
Bell Park v Geelong Scottish (X)  
Ballarat v Springvale (1)  
Prahran v Ajax (1)

### STATE LEAGUE

Hakoah v Melbourne (1)  
George Cross v J.U.S.T. (1)  
Slavia v Moreland (1)  
Croat v Juventus (2)  
Polonia v S.M.-Hellas (X)  
Wilhelmina v Lions (2)

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# Give the fans the SCORE

Isn't it about time Olympic Park fans were given the half-time scores of all State League games each Saturday? Surely this wouldn't take much organising. \*

Juventus hold their annual picnic at Warandah next Sunday, April 29. \*

Congratulations, Marshall Gibbs. A goal in your first match in your new country for your new team is worthy of mention. George Cross and Soccer Weekly are proud of you! \*

Dave Oxen, Moreland's dashing winger, will be returning from overseas soon. \*

Here is a special message for metropolitan clubs . . . You are asked to ring XF 6139 every Saturday evening between 6.30 and 10 if you have any news for Soccer Weekly. This is a new service. It's up to you if you want to publicise your club. Every Saturday between 6.30 and 10 p.m. — XF 6139. \*

Coburg United players W. Clement and A. Clements have retired after seven years on the field. They are now helping with the administrative side of the club. \*

Why do Juventus keep winning? "Because they're an entirely new side, and new blood pays off in soccer," says Leo Pellegrini, vice-president of the club. \*

Very popular German middleweight boxer Hans Waschlewski, whose aim is a shot at Peter Read's Australian title, is training regularly twice a week with Lions Soccer Club. Hans said four hours soccer training per week is doing him good for his coming 12-round bout at Festival Hall. \*

Lions' goalkeeper Erich Bartkowiak (ex-Richmond), who was selected several times to play with the Under-20 Victorian team, was married last week to pretty Ceylonese girl Alona. Erich will be back in the Lions team next Saturday, after a honeymoon in Sydney. \*

Lions' centre-forward Werner Klein will follow his team mate Erich Bartkowiak and marry a young, pretty German girl from St. Albans on Saturday, May 19. \*

Promising inside-forward Kurt Goettlicher (ex-Richmond), now with Lions S.C., has left Melbourne to play one or two seasons with South German First Division Club S.C. Karlsruhe. Goettlicher hopes to im-

## MATCH POINTS

prove his skill a lot by playing with such an excellent club. For the second half of the 1963 season Kurt will be back in Australia. \*

*TWO HOURS of Aussie Rules and TWO MINUTES of soccer on GTV9 on Sundays! Yes, Alex Barr, we agree with you. It's not sport!*

Juventus held a successful dance at La Composita Hall, Carlton, on Easter Monday. All proceeds were for the club. \*

Mr Van Hoboken, Federation Publicity Chairman, tells us that the Department of the Territories (Papua and New Guinea) is calling for tenders for 872 soccer balls. \*

*It was obvious that strain of the past few weeks of setting the wheels of the new Federation machine rolling had gone . . . There he was standing at the entrance to the Middle Park ground on Saturday enjoying the warm sunshine with that old familiar *welcome on me* smile on his face again. Who? None other than our respected chairman — Theo Marmaras.*



**GRAEME COPE** (above), one of our leading TV soccer commentators. He's one of the few men who can pronounce all the Polish and Greek players' names correctly. See and hear him every Tuesday evening at eight on "Sports Cavalcade," Channel 2.

*At the St. Mirren and Celtic Scottish Cup semi-final at Ibrox, 23 people were arrested after thousands of fans invaded the pitch and held up the game for 16 minutes. More than 40 people were injured and six were taken to hospital. Result: St. Mirren 3, Celtic 1.*

Lolly Vella says that the Showbands surface needed a "shave" when George Cross played

# SOCER MAN'S DIARY 27

By DON SUTHERLAND

Soccer in Victoria is gaining greater public recognition as a major Australian sport with each day that passes, and a striking example of this was the invitations extended to Mr Stuart Beaton to appear on Channel 7 on Good Friday. Mr Beaton was one of a number of leading sporting personalities who were interviewed by Tony Charlton in a program designed to assist the very successful Sporting Globe-3DB Good Friday appeal on behalf of the Royal Children's Hospital. Through Mr Beaton, the Victorian Soccer Federation made a wonderful gesture in presenting the appeal, on camera, with a cheque for £100.

Incidentally, whilst discussing the efficiency of the Soccer Federation's office in last week's column, I inadvertently referred to Mr Beaton's capable assistant and secretary as Mrs Rogers, when in fact, the name of this most pleasant and efficient young lady is Miss Pam Hart.

Mr Sjel de Bruyckere has been reappointed as official coach of the Victorian Soccer Federation for season 1962. Sjel de Bruyckere has had a brilliant career in Victorian soccer both as captain-coach of Wilhelmina and as coach and player with many Victorian State teams. There are few men with the leadership qualities of de Bruyckere, which, allied to his great knowledge and experience of soccer here and overseas, should ensure his continuing success as the coach of Victoria. \*

An official masseur was also recently appointed to the Victorian State team and he is Mr Louis Lazzaria, who is attached to the Juventus club. Mr Lazzaria has greatly impressed Federation officials with his capabilities and sense of responsibility. Mr Lazzaria is a gentleman whom we are pleased to have in an official capacity. \*

In last week's "Soccer Weekly" it was stated in a leading article that the Federation Executive had advised the "new" Richmond Soccer Club (whom they had earlier recognised) to disband, "if the players and officials were given the chance to rejoin Richmond-Allemania or to sign with a new club of their own choice." As we now know approximately 25 players subsequently joined Lions Soccer Club in the State League.

However, to prevent any misunderstanding it is probably wise to state the actual decision of the Federation Executive. The Executive Committee had always endeavoured to reach a reconciliation between the two Richmond clubs. However, when it appeared that a settlement between the two groups could not be reached, the Federation Executive was asked to approve a merger of the "new" Richmond Soccer Club with the Lions Club. The Executive felt that each individual player should be able, in this particular instance, to choose whether he would like to join Lions or return to Richmond-Allemania. Therefore, it was resolved that all players who signed with the Richmond Soccer Club on February 17, 1962, should be granted free transfer either to Lions or to Richmond-Allemania as they should wish. It was further resolved that each individual player should, in writing, request an official transfer form which would, in the circumstances, be issued free to the player concerned. \*

John Oliphant, in London, informs us that he was quoted £50 for a 50/- ticket for the Wembley FA Cup final between Burnley and Spurs on May 5. He's decided to stay at home and see it on TV! \*

John Jaros (NSW left-winger who scored the first goal against Victoria on Monday) told us: "My ankle was very painful, I was just thinking about going off when I got a perfect pass from Leo (Baumgartner). I hit it — and in it went." \*

Stuart Beaton, Secetary-Manager of the Victorian Soccer Federation, handed over a £100 cheque on behalf of the Federation to the 3DB - Sporting Globe Royal Children's Hospital Appeal on Good Friday. \*

*Did you like the way things were organised at Olympic Park on Easter Monday? One man was responsible for the whole show — Stuart Beaton. Soccer Weekly thanks Mr Beaton for a job well done!*



The magnificent trophy which has been donated by Gilbey's Ltd., for presentation to the best and fairest player of season 1962, is another example of the fact that soccer has "arrived" in Victoria. Gilbey's, distributors of the famous gin which bears their name and of Bond 7 whisky, have been well-known as givers of sporting trophies, but this is the first occasion on which they have been associated with soccer in Victoria. The trophy, which stands over two feet high with a diameter of over 12 inches, will be perpetual, with a replica to be awarded to each year's winner. It is also rumored that some of the company's products will be awarded to the successful player's club, and this should ensure a victory celebration! \*

When the executive of the Referees' Association met Federation officials recently, it was generally agreed that the replacement rule is being abused by some clubs bringing a fresh player on shortly before half-time when the player being replaced has not genuinely been injured. The referees explained that they were not qualified to give expert medical opinion on whether a player was really injured or not, and it was decided to refer the matter for full council discussion. A very sensible suggestion which was put up by Mr John Dickson, of Slavia, and a member of the Federation Executive, was that replacements should be allowed only when an injured player has been off the field for a period of 15 minutes. This would certainly prevent unnecessary changes of players but would still enable genuine injuries to be replaced in a reasonably short time. This would appear to be a satisfactory compromise between the English rule of no replacements and the almost unrestricted use of substitutes which some people advocate. \*

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** A goalkeeper is a man who rarely shares in the credit for a victory but often shares the blame for a defeat.

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## The Pick of the Post

# READER GIVES TROPHY FOR TOP SCORER

This week one of our readers has offered a trophy to the leading State League goal-scorer for 1962.

He is Mr Bernard Bosmans, of Clayton. Here is his letter to the Editor:

SIR.—First of all, my congratulations, with your excellent paper. It covers a lot of clubs, from high to low, and that's a good thing. Soccer writer Morrie Buckner is so much different compared with articles in the "Sun." How enjoyable are his previews and reports, spiced with the ingredients that give the appetite for another "Soccer Weekly."

Another eye-catcher are the pictures on your front page and the little maps "How to get there." They are very welcome.

May I, as proof of appreciation for this re-born paper, which is, and will be, more and more a stimulus to soccer in general, offer a nice trophy to the top-scorer of the State League at the end of the competition (22 games).

I enclose herewith the complete list of scorers after four games have been played.

Wishing you all a very successful season.

—BERNARD BOSMANS  
Lot 9, Heatherston Rd,  
Clayton.

• Thank you Mr. Bosmans for your kind gesture. I'm sure your competition will be a success.—Editor.

### KING OF THE SHARPSHOOTERS

Frank Bachazza's hat-trick in the first round brought him right on top of the goal-scorer's list, but Melbourne's forward Fekete, a more regular scorer, challenged him in the second round, to share the honor that week.

Now, after four games have been played, goal-gatherer Allan Villers from Hakoah with four good goals against Moreland has dethroned Bachazza and Fekete.

But how long will Villers be king of the sharpshooters?

### STATE LEAGUE SCORERS

Villers, Hakoah, 5. Fekete, Melb., 4. Bachazza, Juventus, 3; Hatzelthorpe, S.M.-Hellas, 3; McKenna, Geo. Cross, 3; Zielinski, Geo. Cross, 3. Fioravanti, Juventus, 2; Tsoulakis, S.M.-Hellas, 2; Maragates, S.M.-Hellas, 2; Cubero, Geo. Cross, 2; Jurecki, Polonia, 2; Schumacher, J.U.S.T., 2; Vadjia, 1.

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SIR.—Re increase of referees' fees mentioned in your last week's "Soccer Weekly," I would say that an increase is long overdue to lift the standard of refereeing, and soccer in general. But the

figure of the Referees' Association is asking for is a little too high.

I would suggest the following figures:

State League: Ref. £6, L.M. £3, Re's Ref. £4, Re's £3.

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Second Division: Ref. £2, L.M. £1/10/-, Re's Ref. £1/10/-.

—T. HARMATHY,  
Charles St, Richmond.

★

SIR.—Please allow me to accept the invitation issued by Frank Laird in last week's "Pick of The Post" to correct him if he is wrong in stating that Bill Copeland infringed the rules by not being in a position behind the ball when a penalty kick was being taken by his team-mate.

The law says nothing about players being required to be "behind the ball." It simply says that "all players, with the exception of the player taking the kick and the

lawyer, shall be offside."

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## INTERSTATE ROUND-UP

## SA STATE XI CRASH

A delighted crowd on Saturday saw a team selected from the rest of the Federation's State soccer team, 4-1, at Bailey Reserve. Playing with plenty of spirit, the Rest had no trouble in downing the listless State team.

Final Score: The Rest 4, State 1.

Goalscorers—Rest: Crawford, 2; Donnelly, Turic, State: Walker.

Top Players: Rest: Korver, Graham, Granan, Crawford, State: Horvath, Harlow, Matton, Jones.

### TASSIE LOSE

The touring SA Soccer Association team on Saturday defeated Tasmania 6-2 in Hobart.

The score at half-time was 2-1 in SA's favor. Sitting down in the second half, the South Australians took complete control.

Final score: Tasmania 2, South Australia 6; Tasmania, 2; Goalscorers—SA: Beattie, 3; Marshall, 2; Horvath, 1; Worsley, 2. Best Players—SA: Hunter, Kelemen, Beattie, Tasmania: Worsley, Goodman, Jager.

## N.S.W. THRILLS

Prague Soccer team staged a remarkable finish to beat Canterbury-Marrickville 4-3 at Wentworth Park on Saturday.

The game was a feast of thrills and controversial incidents, with Prague down 6-3 with 30 minutes to go.

Inside-left Les Scheinfus proved himself the hero of the day by scoring the winning goal for Prague, with only five minutes of play remaining.

He slipped past would-be Canterbury tacklers George Nuttall and Tommy North with tricky footwork and hit an unstoppable shot into the net.

For sheer excitement this finish by Prague surpasses anything seen in Sydney Soccer for many years.

Prague, 4 (L. Scheinfus 2, W. Tamand, R. Hoare), beat Canterbury-Marrickville, 3 (J. Vass, 2, A. Westwater). Crowd: 3799.

Bankstown, 5 (T. Yeates 2, S. Jessup, L. Backloper, N. Stiffle), beat Auburn, 2 (L. Quated, F. van Gaalen). Crowd: 1267.

## HILLMEN NEED MORE PLAYERS

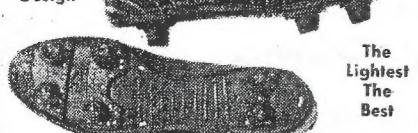
Box Hill need more players of good standing this season.

Bobby McLeish, who scored 3 goals in the first game, is still out with injury.

That wonderful lady of soccer, Granny Fox, heads the social committee again this year.

Interstate match — Victoria 6, New South Wales 2. (Ninaus, Baumgartner), at Olympic Park, Melbourne.

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## STATE LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Polonia	4	3	1	0	8	1	7
George Cross	4	2	2	0	10	3	6
J.U.S.T.	4	2	2	0	7	3	6
Hakoah	4	3	0	1	4	2	6
Wilhelmina	4	2	1	1	10	4	5
S.M.-Hellas	4	2	0	2	11	5	4
Melbourne	4	1	1	2	6	8	3
Croat	4	1	1	2	2	8	3
Slavia	4	0	2	2	1	4	2
Lions	4	0	1	3	2	9	1
Moreland	4	0	0	4	2	15	0

## STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Melbourne	4	4	0	1	16	8	8
Wilhelmina	3	3	0	2	24	3	6
S.M.-Hellas	3	3	0	21	3	6	4
J.U.S.T.	4	3	0	1	20	6	4
Hakoah	4	3	0	1	9	6	6
Slavia	4	2	1	1	8	9	5
George Cross	4	1	1	2	5	10	3
Croat	4	1	0	3	8	20	2
Juventus	4	1	0	3	8	28	2
Moreland	4	0	1	3	5	10	1
Lions	4	0	1	3	5	12	1

## SECOND SOUTH

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Hingwood	4	3	0	1	16	4	6
Kensington	4	3	0	1	17	4	6
Park Rangers	4	3	0	1	15	6	6
Triestina	4	2	1	1	6	2	5
Frankston	4	2	1	1	17	11	5
Moorabbin	4	2	1	1	9	7	5
South Yarra	4	2	0	2	3	5	4
F.N.D.	4	1	1	2	12	17	3
Croydon	4	1	1	2	8	19	2
Prithian	4	1	0	3	9	13	2
Sunshine Heights	4	1	0	3	4	15	2
Rosebud	4	0	1	3	4	15	0

## LAST WEEK

	STATE LEAGUE					
J.U.S.T.	1	Hakoah	0	George Cross	4	3
Moreland	0	George Cross	4	3	1	0
Slavia	0	Wilhelmina	1	0	1	0
Melbourne	0	Pelonia	3	0	1	0
S.M.-Hellas	0	Croat	0	1	0	0

## THIS WEEK

	STATE LEAGUE					
Hakoah	1	Melbourne	0	George Cross	4	3
George Cross	0	J.U.S.T.	1	0	1	0
Slavia	0	Moreland	1	0	1	0
Melbourne	0	Pelonia	3	0	1	0
S.M.-Hellas	0	Croat	0	1	0	0

## NEXT WEEK

	STATE LEAGUE RESERVES					
J.U.S.T.	3	Hakoah	4	Melbourne	0	1
Moreland	1	George Cross	2	Slavia	0	1
Slavia	1	Wilhelmina	2	Melbourne	0	1
Melbourne	2	Pelonia	1	S.M.-Hellas	0	1
S.M.-Hellas	0	Croat	1	J.U.S.T.	0	1

	FIRST NORTH					
Croatia	4	4	0	1	13	1
Heidelberg	4	3	1	0	10	3
Alexander	4	3	1	0	14	3
Box Hill	4	3	0	1	9	5
Moonee Ponds	4	1	2	1	4	5
Florentina	4	1	1	2	6	8
Sunshine City	4	1	1	2	4	7
University	4	0	2	2	5	8
Maccabi	4	0	2	2	3	8
Corio	4	0	1	3	2	10
Collingwood	4	0	1	3	2	15

	FIRST NORTH RESERVES					
Box Hill	4	3	1	0	24	1
Croatia	4	3	1	0	10	2
Alexander	4	3	0	1	14	4
Heidelberg	4	3	0	1	11	4
Moonee Ponds	4	3	0	1	11	7
University	4	2	0	2	3	5
Maccabi	4	1	0	3	2	12
Corio	4	1	0	3	2	10
Collingwood	4	1	0	3	2	6

	FIRST SOUTH					
Ferntree Gully	4	4	0	0	12	5
Richmond	4	3	1	0	16	2
Austria	4	3	0	1	10	5
Sandringham	4	2	1	1	7	5
Box Hill	4	1	2	1	7	6
Dandenong	4	2	0	2	8	7
Oakleigh	4	1	1	2	8	9
Dandenong	4	1	1	2	11	13
Yallourn	4	1	1	2	5	9
Brighton	4	1	1	2	5	9
Makedonia	4	0	1	3	2	12
Corio	4	0	1	3	2	10
Geelong	4	0	1	3	2	12

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Makedonia	4	3	0	1	18	5
Corio	4	3	0	1	16	5
Sandringham	4	2	1	1	9	3
Austria	4	2	0	2	13	7
Ferntree Gully	4	2	0	2	11	8
Box Hill	4	2	0	2	8	13
Bayswater	4	2	0	2	6	7
Yallourn	4	2	0	2	4	10
Geelong	4	1	1	2	6	9
Corio	4	1	0	3	2	12
Geelong	4	0	0	4	3	20

	SECOND NORTH					
Coburg	4	4	0	0	35	3
I.C.L.	4	4	0	0	18	7
Norlane/Olympia	4	2	0	2	21	7
Williamstown	4	3	0	1	22	6
Liberitas	3	2	1	0	16	2
Fielder	4	2	0	2	16	5
St. Albans	4	1	2	0	10	22
Bentleigh	3	1	2	0	7	11
Essendon	4	1	2	0	5	11
Etihad	4	1	2	0	5	11
W.C. Banks	4	1	2	0	5	11
Frankston	4	1	2	0	5	11
Frankston "B"	4	1	2	0	5	11
Frankston "C"	4	1	2	0	5	11
Frankston "D"	4	1	2	0	5	11
Frankston "E"	4	1	2	0	5	11
Frankston "F"	4	1	2	0	5	11
Frankston "G"	4	1	2	0	5	11
Frankston "H"	4	1	2	0	5	11
Frankston "I"	4	1	2	0	5	11
Frankston "J"	4	1	2	0	5	11
Frankston "K"	4	1	2	0	5	

HORST ZIELINSKI  
- PROGRESSING

Late yesterday Horst Zielinski, of George Cross, who broke a leg in the match against Moreland last Saturday, was progressing satisfactorily. Horst is in Royal Melbourne and is allowed visitors on Wednesday and Saturday from 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. and Sunday from 2 to 1.45 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 6 to 6.30 p.m. He is in Ward (6th floor) East.

# ZIELINSKI'S MISHAP A BIG LOSS

By STAN STACEY

**HORST ZIELINSKI**, of George Cross, is out of the game with a broken leg and soccer fans will miss one of Victoria's most promising players.

Horst, 22 years old, playing at inside forward against Moreland last week, received the injury in the 67th minute of the game when his side was leading 3-0.

Players from both teams stood tragically to one side, after the accident trying to discover what had happened. All players agreed that Zielinski had been the outstanding player of the game until the accident.

He had scored George Cross' second goal just before half-time. Spectators said that Zielinski had cleverly dribbled the ball past two opponents and then made for goal.

#### OVER THE TOP

Yes, it's the same old reason — FIFA.

FOOTNOTE: NSW right-half Jim Kelly told Soccer Weekly reporter Duncan McDougall on Monday that Matthews would play in Australia.

He said

Matthews had agreed to play for South Coast United (NSW) for £200 a match.

Kelly also said that his wife was not happy in Australia and that they would return to England soon.

Kelly said he had had an offer from a London club and a transfer fee of £12,500 (sterling) was mentioned providing Blackpool would release him.

Lolly also said that the incident was an accident, just an innocent clash that brought bad luck.

Playing for George Cross was Lolly Vella, who broke a leg early last season but recovered quickly to play before the season finished.

Lolly said, "It is tragic to see such a brilliant young player with years of good football ahead of him suffer such a hard knock."

"All his team-mates and the Moreland players hope that he recovers as quickly as possible and that he returns to the soccer field."

Horst Zielinski had come under the eyes of the State team selectors on several occasions.

His career with George Cross started after he was introduced to the club by goalie Norm Hobson.

He played in the reserve side for several weeks before being given his chance with the first team.

He has played regularly since and played in this year's Ampol Night Cup final.

Coming from Germany, Horst speaks fluent English and is one of the most popular players in the team.

At present he's in the Royal Melbourne Hospital and would welcome visitors.

Three weeks ago Horst had found himself regular job after many months of uncertainty.



From Our Special Correspondent in LONDON

English soccer wizard, 47-year-old Stanley Matthews may not play in Australia this year.

But it is on the cards that he'll visit Melbourne with his 16-year-old son Stanley junior, after the Wimbledon tennis championships.

Young Stanley is British junior hard court champion and is coming to Melbourne with his famous soccer father for coaching from Harry Hopman, Australia's top tennis coach.

I rang Mr Williams, the Stoke City Secretary (Matthews plays for this club) today and he told me the Wizard of Dribble was in Bermuda with a Gloucestershire cricket eleven.

Matthews is manager of the team which is playing soccer.

#### No. 2 — Player with a toy

Blonde and handsome Polish soccer star Stan Sklarek, 26, has shared every minute of the past year with a toy sent from his homeland, writes Scot Palmer.

It belongs to his childhood sweetheart Stain, who became his wife by proxy marriage a year ago.

Stan, who has been playing with the Polonia club in Sydney, has even carried the keepsake, a tiny replica of a soccer player, to all his games in Australia.

The powerfully-built 6ft. 2in. Stan will play this season for Polonia (Melbourne).

But in a few weeks he hopes he can pack the toy away because Stain is coming from Opole, in Poland, to join him.

Stan said he would like to settle in Australia but would wait and see if Stain liked the climate and the people as much as did.

Stan plays as an amateur and has toured

with a Polish team in England.

He is regarded as one of Poland's best defence players and last year represented NSW interstate.

#### POLISH STAR TO PLAY AT PARK

Edmund Ziembart, famous Polish international right-wing half, arrived at Essendon Airport on Easter Monday. He will play his first match for Polonia on Sunday at Olympic Park against South Melbourne-Hellas.

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Internationals  
to play here

Two top English internationals, Nat Loftthouse (Bolton Wanderers) and Roy Bentley (Chelsea), will play for NSW club Gladstone this season. Loftthouse has played 32 times for England and has scored a record 32 goals for England. Bentley has represented England 12 times. They arrive in Sydney in May.

## FOCUS ON OPINION

### OLYMPIC PARK REGULAR, West Heidelberg:

The letters J.U.S.T., which stand for Jugoslav United Soccer Teams, are, unfortunately, out of character now, and it would be a wonderful thing for soccer if they could once again mean what they stand for. If the best players of J.U.S.T., Croat, and Croatia, who are, after all, members of the Federated Republic of Jugoslavia, were all in the same club, they would be able to field an outstanding side with a strong body of fans to support it. This is another illustration of the need to consolidate for quality instead of quantity.

### MORRIE BUCKNER, Sun soccer writer:

Slavia's position on the ladder — tenth place after four rounds — is not as bad as it looks at first glance. In fact, considering the details of its record so far, Slavia has done well. It drew with Polonia 0-0, drew with George Cross 1-1, lost narrowly to Wilhelmina 0-1, and lost to Hakoah 0-2. The fact that illness and injury kept its forward line incomplete in the first three rounds partly accounts for its lack of goals. But now the hardest part of Slavia's program is over, and its forward line is complete, and Slavia should win no fewer than five of the seven matches it has yet to play to finish the first half of the season.

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